

EC-822. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Labeling: Nutrient Content Claims, Expansion of the Nutrient Content Claim 'Lean'" ((RIN0910-ZA27)(Docket No. 2004P-0183)) received on February 22, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-823. A communication from the Interim Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interesting Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (Docket No. 2006N-0335) received on February 22, 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-824. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to preventing loss of life due to extreme indoor temperatures; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-825. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's annual report on the administration of the Government in the Sunshine Act for 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-826. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's annual report relative to its compliance with the Sunshine Act; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-827. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, (6) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department, received on February 22, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-828. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period ending September 30, 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-829. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors, United States Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's annual report relative to its compliance with the Sunshine Act for 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-830. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period ending September 30, 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-831. A communication from the Deputy Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Sunshine Act Report for 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-832. A communication from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Organization's competitive sourcing efforts during fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-833. A communication from the President and CEO, Inter-American Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Organization's competitive sourcing efforts during fiscal year 2006; to

the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-834. A communication from the Controller, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, two reports relative to federal financial management; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-835. A communication from the Archivist of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on category rating for calendar year 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-836. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of action on a nomination for the position of Director of National Intelligence, received on February 22, 2007; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-837. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicability of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act" (RIN1105-AB22) received on February 16, 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-838. A communication from the Staff Director, United States Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the appointment of members to the Alabama Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-839. A communication from the Staff Director, United States Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the appointment of members to the Mississippi Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-840. A communication from the Clerk of Court, United States Court of Federal Claims, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Court's Annual Report for the year ended September 30, 2006; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-841. A communication from the Regulatory Management Specialist, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consular Notification for Aliens Detained Prior to an Order of Removal" (RIN1653-AA53) received on February 22, 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-842. A communication from the Under Secretary and Director, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Implement Priority Document Exchange Between Intellectual Property Offices" (RIN0651-AB75) received on February 22, 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-843. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2006; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-844. A communication from the Public Printer, Government Printing Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Great Leaders/Great Solutions"; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-845. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Home Schooling and Educational Institution" (RIN2900-AM37) received on February 16, 2007; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-846. A communication from the Director of Regulations Management, Veterans

Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Priority for Partial Grants to States for Construction or Acquisition of State Home Facilities" (RIN2900-AM42) received on February 16, 2007; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-847. A communication from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the initiation of a standard competition of the Communications Operations and Maintenance function at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-848. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Manpower and Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Army National Guard and Army Reserve; to the Committee on Armed Services.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 316. A bill to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brigadier General Shelby G. Bryant and ending with Colonel Paul G. Worcester, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 29, 2007. (minus 2 nominees: Brigadier General Michael D. Dubie; Colonel Travis D. Balch)

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Benjamin C. Freakley, 0002, to be Lieutenant General.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Colonel David H. Berger and ending with Colonel Robert R. Ruark, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 16, 2007.

Marine Corps nomination of Col. Tracy L. Garrett, 7668, to be Brigadier General.

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORD on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Air Force nominations beginning with Gino L. Auteri and ending with Jesus E. Zarate, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brian E. Bergeron and ending with Lolo Wong, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brian D. Affleck and ending with Lorna A. Westfall, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with William R. Baez and ending with Michael D. Webb, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with Kent D. Abbott and ending with An Zhu, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with Anthony J. Pacenta and ending with Charles J. Malone, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with Tansel Acar and ending with David A. Zimlik, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brian G. Accola and ending with David H. Zonies, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with Jeffrey M. Klosky and ending with Robert W. Ross III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 15, 2007.

Army nomination of Todd A. Plimpton, 7389, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Perry L. Hagaman and ending with William A. Hall, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with David W. Admire and ending with D060341, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with James A. Adamec and ending with Vanessa Worsham, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Dennis R. Bell and ending with Kent J. Vince, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Ronald J. Aquino and ending with D060343, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 7, 2007.

Army nomination of Miyako N. Schanely, 5496, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Anthony C. Adolph and ending with Kaiesha N. Wright, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 15, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Andrew W. Aquino and ending with Paul J. Willis, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 15, 2007.

Army nomination of Susan M. Osovitzoien, 4744, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of Tom K. Staton, 7158, to be Major.

Army nomination of Evan F. Tillman, 1630, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Michael A. Clark and ending with Janet L. Norman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Edward W. Trudo and ending with Ming Jiang, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Donald E. Evans, Jr. and ending with Elliott J. Rowe, which nominations were received

by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 15, 2007.

Marine Corps nomination of Jorge L. Medina, 8975, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Douglas M. Finn and ending with Ronald P. Heflin, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 15, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Charles E. Brown and ending with David S. Phillips, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 15, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Steven P. Couture and ending with Jesse Mcrae, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 15, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Jonathan G. Allen and ending with John W. Wiggins, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 15, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Charles E. Daniels and ending with Timothy O. Evans, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2007.

Marine Corps nomination of Brian T. Thompson, 6676, to be Major.

Marine Corps nomination of Michael R. Cirillo, 7216, to be Major.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Vernon L. Dariso and ending with Richard W. Fiorvanti, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Leonard R. Domitrovits and ending with Robert W. Sajewski, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Samson P. Avenetti and ending with Francisco C. Ragsac, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Jason B. Davis and ending with Peter M. Tavares, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Darren L. Ducoing and ending with Kenneth L. Vanzandt, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2007.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Robert T. Charlton and ending with Brian A. Tobler, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2007.

Navy nomination of Mark A. Gladue, 5228, to be Commander.

Navy nomination of Terry L. Rucker, 0803, to be Captain.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 687. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a business credit against income for the purchase of fishing safety equipment; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 688. A bill for the relief of Griselda Lopez Negrete; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 689. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend and expand the charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 690. A bill to amend the Small Business Act to authorize the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to waive the prohibition on duplication of certain disaster relief assistance; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. CONRAD:

S. 691. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve the benefits under the Medicare program for beneficiaries with kidney disease, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. OBAMA:

S. 692. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a Hospital Quality Report Card Initiative to report on health care quality in Veterans Affairs hospitals; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 693. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the Automated Defibrillation in Adam's Memory Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. REED, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mrs. HUTCHISON, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 694. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to issue regulations to reduce the incidence of child injury and death occurring inside or outside of light motor vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 695. A bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949 to allow for certain claims of nationals of the United States against Turkey, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 696. A bill to establish an Advanced Research Projects Administration-Energy to initiate high risk, innovative energy research to improve the energy security of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 697. A bill to establish the Steel Industry National Historic Site in the State of Pennsylvania; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. HAGEL, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 698. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand and enhance educational assistance for survivors and dependents of veterans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SALAZAR (for himself, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. Res. 86. A resolution designating March 1, 2007, as "Siblings Connection Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.